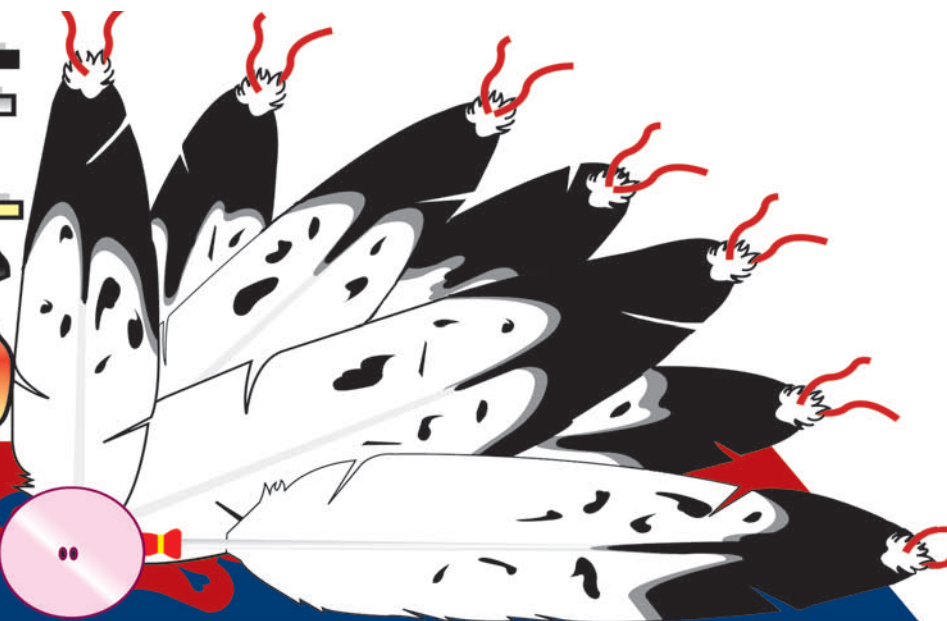


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Wozniak receives proclamation



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Betty Jo Wozniak received a proclamation and pentalton blanket from legislative members on behalf of the the tribe, for her many years of work for the tribe. She also received a plaque, and then presented the Chairman, Lisa Waukau, with a framed quote that would remind them of what she stood for and thanked them for her gifts.

Menominee Tribal Clinic marks its 25th Anniversary with celebration



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Dr. Emery Johnson holds up the Menominee Tribal Clinic Patient handbook explaining to the crowd of about 250 people that the Mission Statement within the handbook says it all, he said the Clinic is here “to provide quality, accessible, and comprehensive health services.” Behind Dr. Johnson are the days guests speakers. Inset photo: The Menominee Veteran Color Guard is pictured along with their reigning Princess, Flora Madosh.

Roxie Bigfire
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The Menominee Clinic celebrated its 25th Anniversary of operations on August 16th, 2002. Opening ceremonies started at 1 pm with a reception held around 3 pm.

Menominee Tribal Clinic Assistant Administrator, David Waupoose, performed as Master of Ceremonies. Waupoose introduced the Menominee Veterans who brought in the Flags for the ceremony. The Color Guard was accompanied by their Veteran’s Princess, Flora Madosh.

David ‘Nahquaw’ Grignon said the invocation in tradi-

tional Menominee Language. The Jr. Dead Grass Society sang and drummed for the ceremony, led by Head singer, Richard O’Kimosh, Jr.

The Clinic’s Director, Jerry Waukau gave the opening remarks to the crowd. Waukau said he appreciated the dedication of his staff, “the David Hoffman’s and the Gary Lewandowski’s and especially the June Miller’s and all the past and present Board members, even the ones who have passed on.” Waukau also mentioned the past directors of the clinic, Gary Brown, Larry Jeter, Penny Hawpetoss and Myrna Warrington and said in his seventeen years at the clinic

he “Built on what these directors had started..”.

Waukau also read a letter from past Tribal Chairman, Ada E. Deer. Deer said in her letter, “The clinic is the result of many hard working people and that the Menominee Clinic is the first Tribal Clinic established with the help of people like Dr. Emery Johnson”, the former director of Indian Health Services.

Many guest speakers spoke about the humble beginnings of the Clinic and the progress it has undergone since its’ opening. Invited speakers included MITW Tribal Chairman, Lisa Waukau; Health & Family Committee Chairman, Gary Besaw; former Indian Health

Services (IHS) Director, Dr. Emery Johnson (Keynote speaker); District Engineer IHS, Greg Griswald; and Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Services, Phyllis Dube.

Guests enjoyed a guided tour of the Clinic throughout the afternoon. The guests were shown the additions and improvements made throughout the Clinic during the tour.

The clinic opened its doors in 1977 and has had numerous expansion of services and additions to the building since its opening. With all its improvements its current worth is approximately 6 million dollars.

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